

Appln. No.: 10/015,423
Amdt. Dated February 24, 2005
Reply to Office Action dated December 14, 2004

Remarks/Arguments

Reconsideration of this application is requested.


The Examiner has rejected claims 1-17 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-17 of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0100144 A1.

The Examiner has provisionally rejected claims 1-17 under 35 USC §101 claiming the same invention as that of claims 1-17 of copending Application No. 2003/0110144 A1

Applicant has filed simultaneously herewith a Terminal Disclaimer To Obviate A Provisional Double Patenting Rejection Over A Pending "Reference" Application.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claims of this application are now in a condition for allowance and favorable action thereon is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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